## Edgar Allan Poe and the Second Mrs. Allan

By PHILIP ALEXANDER BRUCE.

Was Deeply Prejudiced. dly, while it was only natural s. Allan should have been deepwas not to the interest of herself her three sons that she should her influence with her husband to ring about a reconciliation. to smooth down those differences, as the first Mrs. Allan had so anxiously endeavored to do. The whole tone of her letter to Colonel Ellis, watten half a century after Mr. Allan's death, shows how bitterly she recalled the memory of her husband's fostersonan asperity which could only have had its springs in the events of her brief married life.

What were these events? Mrs. Allan herself declared that she had seen Poe only twice, but this was, in either case, under circumstances such as to leave a strong, although not necessarily an

a strong, although not necessarily an accurate impression on her mind. In fact there is a wide divergence between the secount which she gave of her first interview with the future poet, and the account which the poet himself. to his friends, the Mackenzies, to se residence he returned immedi-after leaving the Allan mansion.

mother her successful nome treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but scured and distorted, write her to-day if your children trouble for in this way. Don't blame the child; it is to look lasting honor that all the chances are it cen't help it. This his references to Mr. Allan and the treatment also cures adults and aged people troubled with urine difficulties by day of great moderation. As we have

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Commenting in later life on this re

Allan saw Poe occurred not long before her husband's death. The circumstances of that final visit to the last home of his youth even as related by her partisans cannot be distorted to his discredit. He had recently went the prize in the Baitimore literary contest, and was, with pardonaole exultation, looking forward to the publication of a volume of tales, when he was informed of the dangerous illness of Mr. Allan, who was a sufferer from dropsy. According to Colonel Ellis's recollection, Poe had beard though a friend that his foster-father lellis's recollection, Poe had beard though a friend that his foster-father seemed then, and still seems, probable enough, as Mr. Allan must have known that he was a dying man, a melancholy condition that must have called up in his mind all the softer memories of the days when his fosterson was still a child, and his first wife was still acive. How natural, too, that such a report should have suggested to Poe also gentle thoughts of the past such a report should have suggested to Poe also gentle thoughts of the past, and revived his hope of a reconcilia-tion.

On entering the mansion, he was met by Mrs. Allan, who, according to the account transmitted by her family,

onen, and who must have clearly preceived the necessity of being politic to Mrs. Allan, the was to patch up a reconciliation with his fosterfather. Joes not the description of the intervence of the necessity of the description of the intervence of the necessity of the substance of the intervence of the necessity of the substance of the intervence of the substance of the intervence of the necessity of the substance of the intervence of the necessity of the substance of the intervence of the intervence of the necessity of the substance of the intervence of the substance of the substance of the intervence of the substance of the substance of the intervence of the substance of the substance of the substance of the intervence of the substance of the intervence of the substance of the substance of the intervence of the i

the spirit which he displayed was one thoroughly creditable to his manilness. "I have been thrown entirely on my own resources," he wrote to William Poe, his cousin. "Brought up to no profession, and educated in the expectation of an immense fortune, the blow has been a heavy one, and I had nearly succumbed to its influence and yielded to despair. But by the exertion of much resolution. I am now beginning to look upon the matter in a less serious light, and although struggling still with many embarrassments, am enabled to keep up my spirits."

When this letter was written Poe

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When this letter was written Pochad become the editor of the Messenger, and his prospects had brightened very much; but during the interval between the date of his appointment to that position and the date of Mr. and Mrs. Alas Fermine Moore's guest this past week. to endure such hardships from crty that Mr. Kennedy could say, crty that Mr. Kennedy could say, with little exaggeration, that he had "found him in a state of starvation." All his striving to earn a livelihood had failed, although in his destitution he had gone so far as to apply for the position of a teacher in a public school, a calling which would have barely afforded him enough income to keep the wolf from the door.

#### SOUTH BOSTON

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

at The Garland on Thursday evening, 16th German was led by Dr. and Mrs. I. Keith Briggs.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Bell and child, of Washington, N. C., Mr. and Mrs. J. E. C. Bell and child, of Henderson, N. C., and B. Baxter Bell, of Shawshero, N. C., and Mrs. Brandbury, Jr., of Indiana, was the guest of Mrs. And Mrs. Lella Sanford, of the Fredericksburg College, is spending Christmas B. Chastain, of New York, is visiting T B. Johnson at this place.

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#### AMHERST

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Amherst, Va., December 30.—Mr. and
Mrs. W. K. Allen spent this week
with relatives in Washington, D. C.
Gordon Dehrborn, who is attending
school at Schenectady, N. Y., is at home
for Christmas.

Sam D. Scott of the Michigan

for Christmas.
Sam D. Scott, of the Highway Commission, and Miss Mary Scott, of Prince Will am country, spent this week at their home here.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Tallaferro and Master Kenneth Tallaferro, of Durham, N. C., this week visited at Mrs. S. B. Tallaferro's

N. C., this week visited at Mrs. S. B. Tallaferro's.
Miss Jessle Rucker, of Paris, Tox., who is a student at Sweet Briar College, spent the holidays with Miss Har-

lege, spent the nones, riet Evans.

Rev. and Mrs. L. Hunter Early and children spent the week-end with Mrs. Early's father near Elmington.

W. H. Wills, of Petersburg, this related his mether, at Ambersi. W.-H. Wills, of Petersburg, this week visited his mother, at Amberst, J. H. Whitten, of Willow: Miss Efficiency of Charlotte, N. C., this week visited their home at Amberst, J. Mrs. S. M. G. Wills has returned to be her home in Lynchburg, after a visit to her home, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Dearkorp.

#### GORDONSVILLE

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Gordonsville, Va., December 20.—
Christmas entertainments were held in
the Episcopal, Presbyterian, Methodist and Baptist churches on Monday,
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
nights of this week.

John W. Martin, of Richmond, and Miss Margio Martin, of Somerset, spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Lecky, of Baltimore, and Joseph W. Hall, of Wylliesburg, are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hall,

Mrs. J. L. Faber and children left Wednesday to spend a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Gillum, at Madison Mills.

at Madison Mills.

Mrs. A. R. Collins and children, of Richmond, and Bolea Clarke, of Clifton Forge, are visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Faber.

Lucius Womowell, of Richmond, is on a visit to his aunt, Mrs. N. A. Linney.

Miss. Ross. Phys.

Miss Rosa Block, of Harrisonburg, and Emmanuel Block, of Detroit, Mica, are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Block.

A. W. Wood, of Bluefield, W. Va., spent several days this week with his notiner, Mrs. Sidney Wood.

Miss Katharine schlosser, of Union-ville, is visiting her parents in the city.

it. H. Faulconer, of Pungoteague has been spending the week with relatives in town.

Dr. R. M. Spencer spent several days this week with relatives in Richmond.

mond.
W. S. Rogers of Gainesville, Ky.
visited his tamlly here this week.
Miss Hope Chiles, of Natural Bridge,
has been spending the week with Miss
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has been spending the week with Miss
Bello Martin.

Mrs. W. T. Belton and children, left
Wednesday to visil her sister, Mrs.
F. S. Lewis, in Jacksonville, Fia.
Misses Marcia and Deane Scott and
E. V. Breeden, of Richmond, are guests
of Dr. and Mrs. John W. Scott.
Mrs. A. L. Sibert, of Roanoke, was
a Gordonsville visitor Thursday,
hiss Salite Morris, of Staunon, is
on a visit to Miss Elizabeth Stratton.
J. T. Ware has returned from a
visit to relatives in Amherst,
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Moore have returned from a visit to relatives at
Unionville,
Willie Holladay, of Brown's Station,
N. Y. is visiting his mother, Mrs. J.
II. Hume, In the city.

#### BON AIR

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Bon Air, Va., December 30.—Mr. and
Mrs. T. M. Kenneriy entertained over
Christmas at their home bere Mr. and
Mrs. Tom Winston and family, of Dry
bridge; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pinder,
of Richmond.
Miss Neile McClure and Ted McClure are home for the holidays.
Misses Neil and Eliza Caristian are
visiting at Crozet.
Miss Carrie Moore has returned from
Washington.
Mr. and Mrs. LeGrange Cooke, Miss
Augusta Barrield and Miss Lillian
Cook spent Christmas with Mrs. George

Augusta Barfield and Miss Lillian Cook spent Christmas with Mrs. George Cook.

Cook.
Miss Ayliffe Watson left on Tuesday
for Washington and Pittsburgh, where Miss Ayliffe Watson left on Tuesday for Washington and Pittsburgh, where she will spend several months with Mrs. Fred Marshall.

D. J. Thager, of Washington, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Wherry.

Mr. and Mrs. Withers Miller, Miss Margaret Milleh, Miss Frances Miller, rs. W. Withers, Miss Frances Withers and Mr. Hammills, Frances Withers and Mr. Hammills, of Richmond, spent Christmas Das.

was Miss Hermine Moore's guest this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Ferguson, R. E. Briegeforth, and the Misses Powers spent Christmas Day at Forest Hill with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sadler.

Miss Hazelle Hudspeth has been the guest recently of Mrs. Robert Bullington.

George Russell and Nathan Talcott are spending the holidays with their family here.

family here.

Mrs. Carl Boschen returned from Lynchburg last week.

## ORANGE

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Orange, Va., December 30.—Aliss alary
Anna riamilion, who is attending the
Normal School in Farmville, is spending the Christmas holidays at her
home, near Orange.
Miss Emma Itixey Crittenden, who
is a student at Oak Park Seminary,
is at home for the holidays.
Mrs. W. Lowell Bradbury, Jr., of
Indiana, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs.
W. L. Bradbury, for several days this
week.
Miss Lelia Sanford, of the Fredericksburg College, is spending Christmas at her home. "Woodley"

Mrs. C. L. Wilborn, of this place, left a few days ago for Spartanburg, S. C., to visit relatives.

Mrs. J. P. Shead is visiting her sou, E. C. Shead, in New York, Mrs. J. P. Shead is visiting her sou, E. C. Shead, in New York, Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Francis M. Silsoit, of Richmond, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Yances at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Yances at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Yances at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Yances at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Yances at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Yances at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Yances at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Yances at the succession of Captain and Mrs. Warren, at "Sunnyside." W. C. Wood, or Wilmington, N. C., which is a guest of Captain and Mrs. Wambersie, at "Charlton," during the past week.

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#### HOUSTON

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Houston, Va., December 30.—Thadedus Crane, of Hydgefield Copin., after visiting his daugater, Miss Dorothy Crane, a student at the Chatham Epissopal Institute, arrived in Houston Thursday afternoon, is the guest of J. W. Johnson.

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Miss Mary Cole Hankins gave a tance on Thursday, Miss Hankins's guests were the Misses Elizabeth Edward and other places aftended.

Jounds, Elizabeth Frenca, Dolly Gouldin, Elizabeth Frenca, Dolly Gouldin, Elizabeth Carrington, Patty Johnson, Dorothy Crane, Marjorle Carall, of Ridgeville, Conn.; Mary Dorage and Sallic Archer Paulkner, Kathoric Parine Hankins, Ellen, Emily and Harger of heavy and Sallic Archer Paulkner, Kathoric Prince of the Miss English Riddle, of Texas, is visual and Johnson, of South Boston, Adriana and Ovid Webb, Betty Sparger ow and Carrington Jordan, Paul Edward Lide, Sparger ow and Carrington Jordan, Paul Edward Lide, Bouldin, John Edmunds, John Barks, Elem, Lorring Carrington, Hot Bouldin, John Edmunds, John Barks, Edwin Dorsey and Manule Glenn, Miss Enlizabeth Flanagan will enter taining a large house party at the home of Mrs. Robert Winfrey, of Midothian, has petuty of the holidays, is entertaining a large house party at the home, of Mrs. Robert Winfrey, of Midothian, has poturned heme after, a stay of some Mrs. Notungalm and little Gray Muse Nottingham of Eastern Shore, Va. Miss Elizabeth Flanagan will enter taining a large house party at the home of Mrs. Robert Winfrey, of Midothian, has poturned heme after, a stay of some Mrs. Robert Winfrey, of Midothian, has poturned heme after, a stay of some Mrs. Notungalm and little Gray Muse Nottingham of Eastern Shore, Va. Miss Stella Duke has been at her tome here for the holidays. She nad the home of Mrs. Robert Winfrey, of Midothian, has poturned heme after, a stay of some Mrs. Nottingham, of Eastern Shore, Va. Miss Johnson, who has been guests for several days Miss hore guest for several days Miss Lana McQueen, of Wilton, Conn., and Mrs. Nottingham and little Gray Muse Nottingham, of Eastern Shore, Va. Miss Johnson's house guests and Miss Miss Lana at a card party at her home here the holidays. She nad the holidays of North Carollina and Mrs. Nottingham, of Eastern Shore, Va. Miss Lana

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\$2.50 Skirts, daintily lace trimmed, ruffle with beading and lace insertion; sale price.

\$2.50 Skirts, flounce trimmed with blind and open cmbroidery; White Sale price.

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to-morrow at ... \$1.50 Chemise, Val. lace trimmed; White Sale 

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# CREWE Carnall, of Ridgeville, Conn. The children of the Beth Carr Baptist Church gave an entertainment on Monday evening at \$ P, M, for the benefit of the Baptist Orphanage at Salem, Va. During the evening recitations and songs were rendered.

beth Craduock and John Barksuale,
Those present were the Misses Eliz
abeth Craduock, Dody Houldin, Elizabeth Edmunds, Mary Cole Hankins,
Elizabeth French, Sally Archer and
Mary Dorsey Faulkner and Elizabeth
Carrington, Patty Johnson, Dorothy
Crane and Marjorle Carnall, of Ridgeville, Conn., and Paul and John Riley
Edmunds, Carrington Jordan, John Edmuns, John Barksdale, Holt Bouldin,
Lorrin Carrington, Charles French, A.
D. Barksdale and Stebblins Lawson.
On Thursday afternoon a Christmas

On Thursday afternoon a Christmas celebration was given at Emmanuel aussion. After audresses by the Rev. Flournoy Bouldin and F. C. Cantine, gitts were distributed and refreshments of candles, fruits, nuts and cakes given to every one present.

### LOUISA

[Special to The Times-Dispatch,]
Louisa, Va., December 30,—Miss Mary
Timberiake, oldest daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Enos Timberlake, and Stroyal
Bibb, both of Louisa, were married
Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock,
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon
Levy, near here, itev. M. London, of
St. James Episcopal Church, here, officiating. A reception at the home of
the bride's parents followed, to which
a number of friends and relatives were
invited.

A masquarede to the

A masquerade ball, arranged by the young people, was given in the Town Hall here Friday night. Quite a number of people from Richmond. Charlottesville and other places aftended.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] rewe. Va., December 30.—Miss Eule

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Foster, Miss Derrick and Foster Hawkins, all of Norfolk, are spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hawkins.

Harry F tzgerald and sister, Miss Annie Fitzgerald, spent several days of the past week with Mrs. Henry Lee, Jack Crump, of Montana, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Crump, While her they are all the guests of Mr and Mrs. Thomas J. Sowers.

Miss Arrinthia Willis, of Cape Charles, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Agnew Harper. Misses Carrie and Irene Murphy are Mrs. Annie Horner and family are spending the holidays with relatives in Burkeville.

in Burkeville.

Mr. and Mrs. W'llie Joyner are spending some time with relatives near Church Itoad.

Miss Lorine Leme, who is attending the National Park Seminary, in Forest Itill. Md., and Miss Sarah Oliver, of Hollins Institute, are home for the holidays.

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Miss. Helen Payne, who is teaching
at Brookneal, and Miss Essie Bass,
who is teaching near Washington, are
at home for the holidays.

Miss Irma Hubbard spent Christmas
ween with her parents, in Lynchburg.
Miss Mary Hardaway, of Chesterfield county, spent the holidays with
relatives here.

Mrs. Peyton Harvey, of Roanoke, is
hore on a visit to her son, Edward
Harvey.

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more, is visiting her mother-in-law Mrs. K. M. Blankenship, in this city. Mrs. Henry J. Strong and daughter, Miss Ray Streng, of Louisville, Ry., are visiting Mrs. A. Dettelbach, of 2719 West Grace Street.

Mrs. John M. Blankenship, of Balti-

Miss Catherine King, of this city, is he guest of Miss Cora Rowe, at Brompton," near Fredericksburg.

Misses Elizabeth Bentley and Margaret Freeman have returned to Rich-mond, after attending a house party near Howardsville.

Dr. J. Allan Shaw and Miss Betija Shaw will return to Richmond to-morrow, after a visit to their parents at "The Maples," near Goshen.

T. Ashby Ivey is at the Retreat for the Sick for several weeks' treatment.

#### **BOWLING GREEN**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Bowling Green, Va. December 30.—
Dr. Clarence Campbell and Mrs. Campbell, of Richmond. spent this week with Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Smoot.
Miss Frances B. Broaddus, of Waverly, is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Broaddus.
L. M. Robinson, of St. Albans, W. Va., and Russell M. Robinson, o. Roanoke, spent several days this week here with friends.
Mr. and Mrs. William M. Cobb. after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Coghill, at Milford, have returned to their home in Washington.

on.
Miss Annie Farish has returned home Miss Annie Parish has returned homs from a visit of relatives in Richmond, Misse Pattye and Cammy Cary and Miss Gillic Cary and Mrs. Daniel, of Richmond, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. John L. White, at the "Old Mauston," Mr. and Mrs. William L. Boyd and Mr. and Mrs. William L. Boyd and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Boyd, of Richmond, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Cog-hill.

hill.
Albert Agnew, of Washington, is visiting Mrs. J. S. Davies.
Misses Florence and Helen Broaddus left this week for Philadelphia, where they will visit friends for a week.